



FREE

Pollinator Symposium

Wednesday, October 18, 2006 8 AM to 12 noon / continuing 1:00 to 3:30 PM

USDA Jefferson Auditorium

(14th and Independence Avenue SW, Smithsonian station on the Blue/Orange line)

Hosted by the USDA Forest Service, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service,
the North American Pollinator Protection Campaign (NAPPC),
The Wallace Genetic Fund, and the Packard Foundation

WHAT: A one day symposium for agricultural interests; policy makers; Congressional and Embassy representatives; public and private land management; foundations; conservation organizations; natural resource professionals, mining and utility management; gardening, landscaping and botanic garden interests; golf, recreation and hunting interests; environmentally engaged religious and corporate organizations; industry; builders, planners, construction and those interested in sustainable development. The informative agenda includes:

- ✦ The Importance of Pollinators – Where Flora and Fauna Meet
- ✦ Threats to Pollinator Populations – Food and Forest Security
- ✦ A Global Effort - International Collaborations and North America's Interests
- ✦ Managing Resources – Partnering with Agriculture, Forestry, Corporations
- ✦ Public Interest and Support – People, Plants and Pollinators

WHY: Pollinators are critical to human survival. The interactions between animal pollinators (bees, birds, bats, butterflies, beetles and flies) and flowering plants - essential to the human food chain as well as terrestrial ecosystems - are showing signs of peril. Highlighting the need for attention to pollinators is the National Academy of Sciences NRC Study on the Status of the Pollinators of North America, which will be reviewed. The symposium will impart background science, policy, sustainable agriculture, and practical conservation action.

HIGHLIGHTS: Appearances by Dr. May Berenbaum, Chair NAS NRC Pollinator Panel; Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns (invited but not confirmed), Dr. Gabriela Chavarria; and US Department of Interior officials and a SPECIAL UNVEILING of the U.S. Postal Service Pollination Stamp Series.

- Pre-registration required. Government issued photo ID required for entry.

The free symposium is open to all.
Optional box lunch is available with pre-payment (\$10.00).

Registration closes October 12
SPACE IS LIMITED

REGISTER NOW! Registration form and agenda found online at www.pollinator.org

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